

Alaska Farmers Union

Annual Conference Agenda

Saturday, November 5, 2011	
9:00 am	Registration
9:30 am	Opening, Prayer, Welcome, Introductions
9:45 am	Address by Chandler Goule, State of farm and farming in America, Marketing
10:00 am	Presentation by Hans Geier and John Dart, Cooperative building, Marketing
10:30 am	Presentation: Sandra Harbanuk, Increasing farm income through programs such as SNAP, WIC, and Senior farm market vouchers.
11:00 am	Presentation: Diane Peck, Food Policy and its value to farmers.
11:30 am	Presentation: Andrew Crow, Cooperative building and its value to Alaska's farmers.
12:00 pm	Lunch. Presentation: Chandler Goule, experiences in NFU.
1:00 pm	Presentation: Dave Schade, Fly-Inn and what it means to you.
1:30 pm	Presentation: Chandler Goule, Farm bill, current agriculture policy in D.C.
2:00 pm	Presentation: Senator Mark Begich (Kim Howard), award and discussion on agriculture in Alaska.
2:30 pm	Policy Introduction: Hans Geier & Robert Shumaker, will present the proposed policy, formation of groups and break out sessions.
3:00 pm	Presentation: Chandler Goule, renewable energy, opportunities & challenges, and the role it plays in policy.
3:15 pm	Presentation: (TBD) Fishing and Fish policy, chart the course for our renewable industry.
3:30 pm	Presentation: Kyra Wagner, Cooperative relationships through extension.
3:45 pm	Presentation: (TBD) Farmland Protection, what it means to agriculture.
4:00 pm	Break
4:30 pm	Group: proposals, resolutions, presentation to the board.
5:00 pm	Closure of General Conference/Thank you
6:00 pm	Board Reconvenes

This is to be held at the Elks lodge in Homer on November 5. Any questions call Don 495-5462.
A local hotel next to the lodge, with great rates is the Driftwood Inn.